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Sir:

The undersigned filed a Request for Acknowledgement of Previously Disclosed Information on August 22, 2005. The Applicants received a Supplemental Notice of Allowability mailed August 24, 2005, however there was no acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 19, 2003.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the attached Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 19, 2003 (copy attached) by initialing the Form PTO-1449 and returning the same to the undersigned.

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